



YOUNG PLANT OF EDIBLE CANNA.

(*Canna edulis* Ker. See S. P. I. No. 46313.)

Although attempts to grow the Bermuda arrowroot (*Maranta arundinacea*) were made many years ago in Florida, with more or less success, the edible canna or Queensland arrowroot appears not to have been tried there. In Queensland this species, related to the ordinary flowering canna, which has escaped from cultivation and grows wild in the Everglades, is preferred because of the large yields—15 to 30 hundredweight of starch per acre. The stems and leaves are used for forage. (Photographed by David Fairchild, at the Plant Introduction Field Station, Brooksville, Fla., November 19, 1918; P24619FS.)